

Planning Commission Minutes

Meeting of March 3, 2014

Planning Commission Meeting Immediately following HCDC Meeting
City Council Chambers, Civic Center
1243 National City Boulevard
National City, CA 91950

These minutes have been abbreviated. Video recordings of the full proceedings are on file and available to the public.

Agenda Items

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Pruitt at 6:25 p.m.

Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Garcia, Baca, Flores, Bush. Pruitt, DeLaPaz Absent: Alvarado

Staff Also Present: Deputy City Attorney Jennifer Knight, Executive Director Brad Raulston, Principal Planner Martin Reeder

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Baca

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held on February 10, 2014.

Motion by Baca, 2nd by Flores, to approve the Minutes from the meeting of February 10, 2014.

Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes: Garcia, Baca, Pruitt, Flores, Bush

Absent: Alvarado Abstain: DeLaPaz

Approval of Agenda

2. Approval of Agenda for the Meeting on March 3, 2014.

Motion by Baca, 2nd by Dela Paz for approval of the Agenda for the meeting of March 3, 2014.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Garcia, Baca, Pruitt, Flores, Dela Paz, Bush

Absent: Alvarado

ORAL COMMUNICATION

None

PRESENTATIONS:

None

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. Conditional Use Permit for a wireless communications facility located at 2135 National City Blvd. (Case File No. 2013-31 CUP)

Presented by Principal Planner Martin Reeder

Applicant: Lisa Mercurio acknowledged she has read, understands and agrees with the recommendations of the Conditional Use Permit.

Motion by Baca, 2nd by Dela Paz to close the public hearing and approve the Conditional Use Permit for a wireless communications facility located at 2135 National City Blvd. (Case File No. 2013-31 CUP)

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Baca, Pruitt, Flores, Bush, DeLaPaz, Garcia

Absent: Alvarado

4. Resolution 4-2014 taking action on a Conditional Use Permit for a wireless communications facility located at 2135 National City Blvd. (Case File No. 2013-31 CUP)

Motion by Baca, 2nd by Alvarado to approve Resolution 1-2014 taking action the Conditional Use Permit for a wireless communications facility located at 2415 East 18th Street. (Case File No. 2013-25 CUP)

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Baca, Pruitt, Flores, Bush, DeLaPaz, Garcia

Absent: Alvarado

OTHER BUSINESS

5. Public Hearing – Conditional Use Permit for a wireless communication facility at 3820 Cagle Street. (Case File No.: 2014-01 CUP)

Presented by Principal Planner Martin Reeder

Applicant Shelley Kilbourn, Verizon states she has understand and agrees with the conditions in the Conditional Use Permit.

Speaker: There were 5 speakers against this item: Pasquale Oliveri, Santo Oliveri, Gaspare Oliveri, Dave Kenworthy, and Lucio Nuncz.

Commissioners expressed concerns regarding the footprint of the park, the already existing cell towers, and the use of public park space for private use.

The applicant responded to the commissioner's comments and concerns.

Motion by Pruitt, 2nd by Baca to close the Public Hearing and deny the Conditional Use Permit for a wireless communication facility at 3820 Cagle Street. (Case File No.: 2014-01 CUP)

Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes: Flores, Pruitt, Baca, Garcia

Noes: Dela Paz, Bush Absent: Alvarado

6. Resolution 5-2014 taking action on a Conditional Use Permit for a wireless communication facility at 3820 Cagle Street. (Case File No.: 2014-01 CUP)

This item tabled to the next meeting for revision of the Resolution to be in accord with the Commissioners vote.

OTHER BUSINESS

7. Resolution 6-2014 taking action on an appeal of a Code Enforcement violation for a property located at 416 National City Blvd. (Case File No. 2014-02 Appeal)

No speaker slips submitted, no speakers.

Motion by Bush, 2nd by Baca to approve the resolution taking action on an appeal of a Code Enforcement violation for a property located at 416 National City Blvd. (Case File No. 2014-02 Appeal)

Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes: Flores, Pruitt, Baca, Garcia, Bush

Abstain: Dela Paz Absent: Alvarado

STAFF REPORTS

<u>Principal Planner</u>: Reported that Sonic has broken ground. They are anticipated to complete construction in four months.

Regarding Telecom, Mr. Reeder will provide a staff report of findings at the next meeting.

<u>Deputy City Attorney</u>: Statement of Economic Interest is due by April 1, 2014. If commissioners have not received their forms, they will be provided shortly.

Note for record: During Staff Reports, and several minutes after Agenda Item No. 7, the Appellant in Case File No. 2014-02 Appeal stood up in the chambers and asked whether he was going to have an opportunity to speak on the appeal. The appellant was informed that he could appeal the Planning Commission's decision denying his appeal to the City Council. While the commission, counsel and staff were trying to get clarification and discussing whether the appellant was requesting to speak as a member of the public or was under the impression that tonight's meeting was his opportunity to appeal the Planning Commission's previous action denying the appeal, and before clarification could be obtained from the appellant regarding his request, the appellant exited the council chambers at approximately 7:39 pm.

Commissioners:

Garcia - No Report

<u>Baca</u> – Noted a large sign or banner hanging on the wall on Highland next to IGA by old Elbo Rest building. Mr. Reeder will look into that and report back to the commission.

<u>Bush</u> – He would like to invite Walk San Diego to do a presentation and get ideas on how National City can improve their walkability. Mr. Raulston will make that request and schedule the presentation for a future commission meeting.

Flores - No Report

<u>Dela Paz</u> – Expressed concerns about the new sidewalks at the crosswalks that protrude on 8th and L Street. Would that be a safety issue? Mr. Raulston will invite the City/Traffic Engineer to give a presentation at the next commission meeting regarding this request.

<u>Baca</u> – SUHI Basketball team will be playing on Tuesday night at the high school. They are in the finals and would appreciate the report.

Pruitt - No Report

Adjournment at 7:45 p.m. to next regularly scheduled meeting on March 17, 2014 immediately following the HCDC meeting.

CHAIRPERSON